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Council set to reject Aughton solar farm applications

MEMBERS of West Lancs Council's planning committee are expected to reject controversial plans to build two huge solar farms in Aughton at their next meeting tomorrow (Thursday, October 8).

Residents were shocked when proposals were submitted earlier this year to build solar farms on land to the west of Back Lane and to the rear of Old Waggoners Cottage on Formby Lane in Aughton.

Meetings were held and a campaign group, Protect Aughton's Landscape Together (PALT) was formed to oppose the plans.

Southport–based agents Be Renewables Limited submitted a planning application on behalf of Back Lane Solar Limited for a ground–mounted photovoltaic (panelled) solar farm the size of 17 football pitches, with plans also allowing for 6.9 acres of land set aside for biodiversity and wildlife.

They further submitted plans on behalf of Formby Lane Solar Limited for a ground–mounted photovoltaic solar farm the size of 13 football pitches.

However, the planning statement for the proposed Formby Lane Solar Farm states that Martin Mere Wetland Centre and the Ribble and Alt estuary fall within 10km of the site and that the protected pink–footed geese would need to be taken into consideration as they rely upon agricultural land for foraging.

The borough council's agenda for the planning committee agenda states if the plans are recommended for approval or rejection and council officers have recommended that both be refused planning permission.

COUPLE'S 'DREAM HOLIDAY' AGONY

By Danielle Thompson

AN Ormskirk couple's 'holiday of a lifetime' to visit one of the seven wonders of the modern world ended in tragedy when the train they were passengers on was derailed killing two fellow members of a British tour group and leaving nine others injured.

Pensioners Peter and Pauline Lloyd were on just the second day of their scheduled 13–night holiday to India, travelling on the historic Kalka to Shimla railway en route to visit the iconic Taj Mahal, when disaster struck as the train suddenly veered off the track.

Although their own injuries were not life–threatening the pair were left traumatised by the incident leading them to cancel the rest of the chartered trip organised by York–based tour company Great Rail Journeys, and return to the UK early.

While 69–year–old Peter was examined by a doctor on the day of the incident, ongoing pain in his shoulder has led him to seek medical advice back in the UK and he now requires a sling.

He is also set to get specialist hospital treatment in the coming weeks.

The couple pictured at the start of their 'dream' holiday

And 68–year–old Pauline has required treatment from her GP for her ongoing psychological trauma.

The couple have now instructed specialist international personal injury lawyers at Irwin Mitchell to investigate how the incident happened and to assist them in ensuring that they receive proper treatment and rehabilitation for their injuries.

Peter said: "The incident happened so quickly, just minutes after leaving the station, and I was thrown across the carriage with a seat landing on top of me.

"It was incredibly scary and we genuinely thought we could die.

"After the incident, my shoulder was painful but I was just so worried about Pauline – she was just completely traumatised and is still not right.

"We came home almost a week early simply because we were in such a bad way – this was meant to be the holiday of a lifetime but it was disastrous."

Some of the passengers pictured in the aftermath of the derailment

Peter added that the couple were concerned to hear about previous incidents on the railway prior to the holiday.

He said: "This incident should not have been allowed to happen and it is concerning to hear about the previous accident on the railway. I believe that the tour operators must meet their responsibility to ensure that the safety of their customers is paramount."

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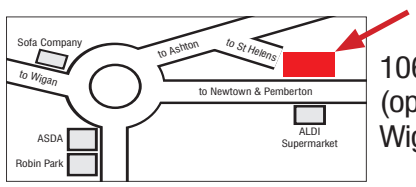

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Council to consult tenant groups over housing priorities

Government policy changes force authority to seek £11.3m savings over next four years

WEST Lancs Council chiefs are set to consult tenants' groups about what they believe should be the authority's housing service priorities over the next few years.

The move is being made by the council as it will have to save an estimated £11.3 million over the next four years due to changes in government policy.

The government has announced that councils and housing associations will be required to reduce rents by 1% each year for the next four years. Consequently, the investment that the council can make in its properties will also need to be reduced.

In addition, the council will be forced to sell high–value homes to pay for the introduction of Right to Buy for housing association tenants, although details of how this will work have yet to be announced.

It is also proposed to introduce a 'pay to stay' scheme whereby any tenant with a household income of more than £30K will have to pay market rents. Again, details are awaited.

These changes, together with other welfare reduction measures such as freezing benefits, lowering the benefit cap from £26K to £20K and restricting benefits to the over–21s, will all impact on how much money the council has to spend for the benefit of tenants.

Council staff are looking into these issues to get a clearer picture of how the authority's housing budgets will be affected and, once they have done that they will meet with tenants to discuss how the effects can be managed to minimise impact.

Items they will discuss include the council's capital investment programme in its housing stock. This has already seen new kitchens and bathrooms installed in a huge number of council properties, along with a host of other improvements.

The Beechtrees Revival Scheme in Skelmersdale is another project to be discussed with tenants to see if this should still be a priority for the authority.

Councillor Jennifer Patterson, West Lancs Council's portfolio holder for housing, said: "The council has a business plan for housing based on information we have received over the last few years. Now government policy has changed and that will affect housing budgets and services, as we are facing a reduction in revenue from what we had been expecting.

"Tenants can play a vital role in helping us ensure we prioritise the schemes and services that meet the priorities of the tenants as much as we possibly can."

Tenants' views will help shape next year's housing budget, to be set in February 2016, as well as the budgets for future years.

Council tenants wishing to be involved in the discussions can contact the tenant participation team on 01695 585227 or email tenantparticipation@westlancs.gov.uk.

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Campaign group urges residents to report all instances of anti–social behaviour in town

Report by **Danielle Thompson**

MEMBERS of a community campaign group which seeks to ensure that late–night noise is kept to a minimum in the town are urging Ormskirk residents to report all anti–social behaviour as the new academic year starts at Edge Hill University.

Michael Forth, chairperson of Ormskirk Residents' Group, said that they welcomed new students to the town but added that certain standards of behaviour were expected.

He said: "Whilst we recognise that the majority of students behave well and respect their new environment and its permanent residents, sadly there are those whose behaviour can cause considerable upset and disturbance to permanent residents, either in and around concentrations of houses of multiple occupancy (HMOs) or on the routes to and from the campus.

"The ideal situation would be an immediate response to a late night anti–social situation but with police resources stretched this is not always possible.

"We've been in correspondence with the university since the spring to see if they would be prepared to pilot some off–campus response as adopted by many universities nationwide, including Loughborough University, but this request was ignored.

"If you do experience late–night student–related issues then either call the relevant bodies at that time or the next morning, giving precise details including the time/place/numbers involved."

A spokesperson for Edge Hill University said: "We are grateful to members of the local community for the positive welcome that many of this year's students have received. We would wish to point out, however, that we have not ignored Mr Forth's requests; we have responded to each of the communications received in a timely manner.

"We have also met with Loughborough University on two separate occasions and held discussions with more than a dozen universities and aspects of the information provided to us are not consistent with that quoted.

"Given that a significant proportion of any incidents that may occur in the locality do not involve students, or do not involve students in isolation, and given that university staff have no statutory powers off–campus, our professional advice is that we cannot and must not seek to act as if we are the statutory authority.

"We will, however, follow–up each and every incident reported to us where sufficient detail is provided and where that responsible individual is a student of the university."

Man arrested after churchyard incident

A MAN has been arrested on suspicion of indecent exposure after an alleged incident in the churchyard of Ormskirk Parish Church.

Police were called to the church in Park Road at around 2pm on Wednesday, September 30 after reports a male was exposing himself.

Officers arrested a man on suspicion of indecent exposure.

It is believed that witnesses reported seeing the man from the nearby Park Pool swimming baths.

Police would like to speak to a woman who initially reported the alleged incident to staff at the swimming pool or to anyone else who may have wtitnessed aynthing.

PC Helen Smith from Skelmersdale Police said: "This woman left the swimming pool but returned a short time afterwards to say that the man was still in the cemetery. On this occasion staff members made a quick search of the area and were believed to actually observe the male in the cemetery who they pointed out to the police upon their arrival.

"Enquiries were made to try to locate this woman but at the present time she has yet to be identified and located."

A 70–year–old man has been bailed until Thursday, October 22 pending further enquiries.

Anyone with information can call the police on 101 or contact Crimestoppers anonymously on 0800 555 111 or online at Crimestoppers–uk.org.

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Police investigate 50–youth 'running battle' claim

LANCASHIRE Police are investigating claims that a "running battle" involving up to 50 youths took place in Ormskirk town centre on Wednesday, September 30.

An Ormskirk resident who contacted the Champion told us: "Whilst enjoying a drink in an Ormskirk pub on Wednesday night my attention was turned to a group of around 50 teenagers involved in a running battle as they left the town centre.

"The police were called, and after at least 15 minutes of fighting, having made their way into Ruff Lane, the youths were eventually confronted by a solitary police officer.

"Many of the participants had left the main group and gone into student accommodation on Ruff Lane. The remainder carried on up Ruff Lane screaming and shouting.

"Further large and equally unruly groups emerged from the town, some going up Ruff Lane while some went into Victoria Park.

"Eventually, a larger police presence met the aggressors and stayed within the vicinity of the town centre after the youths had finally dispersed."

A spokesperson for Lancashire Constabulary said: "We're working to establish the identities of those responsible so that they can be dealt with accordingly. Ormskirk Station was open overnight and we cover Ormskirk with patrols, which were increased during Freshers' week."

A spokesperson for Edge Hill University said: "We have learned of an incident in Ormskirk on Wednesday evening, although at this point we have very few details. If individual students are identified, the university, in collaboration with the public authorities, will take appropriate and formal disciplinary action."

Church Festival

THE annual Harvest Festival at St Cuthbert's Church, Halsall will be held on Sunday (October 11).

A children's service will be held at 9.30am, arranged by St. Cuthbert's School, and the church will be open from noon to 4pm for visitors to look around the Grade I listed building which dates from 1320. Admission is free and refreshments will be available.

Evening service will be at 6pm followed by refreshments with donations taken for the Royal Agricultural Benevolent Institution.

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Borough design awards winners announced

A SCHEME that saw a former DIY store converted into a pub is one of the winners of the 2015 West Lancashire Design Awards.

The awards, organised by the borough council, acknowledge and promote the importance of good–quality development and building design and aim to show how it can greatly improve the local environment.

Council staff appealed for public nominations and judging took place in five categories – new residential developments, conversion of existing buildings, commercial developments, sustainable building design and landscaping. And this year judges were so impressed with the standard of entries that they gave seven commendations, as well as the five category winners.

Councillor John Hodson, West Lancs Council's portfolio holder for planning, said: "The design awards show the council's commitment to working with owners and architects to raise the standard of development and improve the appearance of the borough's environment."

The Court Leet pub in Ormskirk won the renovation/conversion category. Harrison Ince Architects and owners JD Wetherspoon were praised for the way the project lifted this area of town. The open–plan layout and creation of an attractive first–floor terrace and outdoor seating area at the former Best's DIY store give good views to customers.

Judges gave a commendation to the conversion of Smithy Nook Barn in Drummersdale Lane, Scarisbrick, which involved turning a barn into a home.

Winner of the commercial category was the development of Creative Edge at Edge Hill University. Judges felt the innovative design by ABW Architects Ltd. provided an attractive new focus for the eastern campus.

Nominations for this category were of such a high standard judges also gave commendations to the West Lancashire Youth

Narrow Lane farm

Zone in Skelmersdale, the IVF Clinic at Wrightington, Booths' store in Burscough and the Salt and Liquor Bar, Derby Street, Ormskirk.

The Residential Award was won by Narrow Lane Farm, Aughton. The building is a contemporary eco–design from Studio Verve Architects and the judges particularly liked the simplicity of the concept and the high quality execution of the new house.

A commendation was also given in this category for the extension at Quarry Farm, Pinfold Lane, Scarisbrick.

Narrow Lane Farm also won the sustainability 'green' category award. The building has a number of sustainable measures including a ground source heat pump, solar panels and a mechanical ventilation heat recovery system to reduce heat loss.

The landscaping category award was given to Coronation Court, a retirement living development by McCarthy and Stone. Judges felt the resident gardens were attractive and had been implemented to a high standard.

A commendation was also given to the remodelling of a landscaping bed in Victoria Park, St Helens Road, Ormskirk. The scheme, commissioned by the council's planning services, creates a new setting to a listed water fountain.

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Council seeks views on strategy to help vulnerable tenants

Report by **Henry James**

WEST Lancs Council is consulting with residents and stakeholders in the borough on how best it can help its tenants to manage their finances and gain access to services to help with money and debt advice.

The Chartered Institute of Housing (CIH) has found that tenants in social housing are more affected by financial exclusion which means they have difficulty accessing financial services which would help them to pay bills, set money aside for difficulties and replace costly items such as the fridge/washing machine.

They may also find it harder to plan for the future and issues such as not having a bank account can make it difficult to access cheaper loans, or to benefit from online deals like cheaper utility bills. This can then mean some tenants may have to use high interest credit or even loan sharks.

The council is currently consulting on a draft Council Tenants' Financial Inclusion Strategy which will help the authority to focus on their most vulnerable and financially excluded tenants to support them to manage their money.

The strategy will aim to help to ensure that those affected receive the right advice and support to retain their home and quality of life, without experiencing severe financial hardship.

Councillor Jennifer Patterson, cabinet member for housing

Key aims of the strategy include:

- Ensuring tenants can access financial support
- Help tenants and housing applicants understand and prepare for financial changes such as the introduction of Universal Credit
- Make sure tenants are aware of other financial solutions such as credit unions
- Improve access to jobs and training
- Help more tenants become comfortable using the internet to help them look for jobs and training, and access cheaper online deals.

Councillor Jennifer Patterson, the council's cabinet member for housing, said: "Having money problems can cause stress and depression for people as they will feel worried about how they are going to pay the bills and keep a roof over their heads.

Targeted

"The council already helps tenants through its Money Advice Service, but this strategy will enable the council to offer a much wider range of support to help improve people's lives. So we are urging our tenants to take part in this consultation and help make sure the strategy meets the needs of local people."

The draft Financial Inclusion Strategy is primarily targeted towards council housing tenants, but many of the actions recommended and improvements proposed will have more wide–reaching effects and positive outcomes for all West Lancashire residents.

The consultation on the draft strategy ends on October 31. Comments will then be reviewed, and where appropriate the strategy will be amended.

To access the draft strategy go to www.westlancs.gov.uk/yourviews and click on 'consultations underway.'

Store that forced Paypoint service users to buy items rapped

ROSIE Cooper says she hopes action taken by Paypoint against a store in the borough found to be forcing customers to make a purchase when carrying out a transaction will serve as a warning to others.

Paypoint provides a free–to–use service in many local stores processing energy meter pre–payments, bill payments, mobile phone top–ups, transcript tickets, cash withdrawals and benefit payments.

The West Lancs MP said: "I want to assure people that they don't have to buy anything from a store if they are just wish to use Paypoint services.

"Often people using Paypoint services are on a tight budget so being forced to spend extra money unnecessarily and unfairly is actually in breach of their contract with Paypoint and the company will take action against them.

"If there are other stores in West Lancashire acting in breach of their contract by forcing you to buy something in order to access the Paypoint machines, please contact me.

"There is no excuse for shops adding to their profit by forcing customers to buy an item when the shopkeeper is being paid commission by Paypoint for the transaction. This is just pure greed and must stop."

A West Lancs store has had formal action taken against it by Paypoint following numerous complaints and warnings.

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Council team up with housing association to offer new 'affordable' property for rent

WEST Lancs Council has teamed up with housing association Regenda Homes to make new properties available for affordable rent in Burscough.

The homes – four two–bedroom and eight three–bedroom houses just off Pickles Drive, will be owned and managed by Regenda and the new scheme will be known as Holt Drive.

Councillor Jennifer Patterson, the council's portfolio holder for housing and landlord services, said: "The council is committed to ensuring there is an opportunity for local people to access affordable housing. We know there is a real need to develop affordable housing in our borough and are pleased to be working with Regenda to increase the supply of affordable housing in our communities.

"Together we are making real progress on this important issue. The council has nomination rights for these new homes and preference will be given to households with a local connection to the area."

Martin Davies, Regenda's director of development, said: "We are pleased to be working with West Lancashire Borough Council to develop these new homes and are excited that these properties are nearing completion on schedule."

The homes will be ready for occupation during January 2016 and anyone interested in renting them should be registered with the council's choice–based lettings system, HomeFinder, to bid for properties.

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West Lancs venues in the running for county tourism awards

Report by **Henry James**

SIX West Lancashire venues are among the finalists for this year's Lancashire Tourism Awards.

Wrightington Hotel & Country Club is up for the large hotel award; West Lancashire Investment Centre, Skelmersdale is shortlisted in the conference/meeting venue award; West Tower in Aughton is in the wedding venue category;Cedar Farm in Mawdesley is shortlisted in the retail experience award; Farmer Ted's Farm Park in Ormskirk is competing for the large visitor attraction; and Farmaggedon is shortlisted in the visitor experience award.

Winners of the awards – the only tourism–focused recognition in the county – will be announced on Thursday, November 5 in the Empress Ballroom at Blackpool's Winter Gardens.

Ruth Connor, chief executive of organisers, Marketing Lancashire, said: "The quality of applications for the tourism awards never fails to impress and this year the judges have a real challenge deciding on the winners in each category.

West Lancashire Investment Centre

"Lancashire has seen consistent growth in visitor numbers over the last six years and these visitors are now spending more in the county, making a £3.68billion contribution to Lancashire's economy.

"The visitor economy is vital to Lancashire success and each year the Lancashire Tourism Awards is our way of celebrating the huge effort and investment made by our industry colleagues across the board."

Jane Shaw, principal lecturer in tourism, hospitality and events at the University of Central Lancashire, which is sponsoring the event, said: "UCLan is proud to work in partnership with Marketing Lancashire in growing the visitor economy in the region and showcasing Lancashire as a place to work, study and invest."

Finalists will be invited to an interview by the judging panel during the week starting October 12, when each business will have the opportunity to discuss their application in more detail.

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Cricket starlet George is tipped for the top

Talented teenager scoops prestigious national award

Report by **Tom Martin**

A YOUNG cricketer from Ormskirk has batted his way to national success after scooping a prestigious award.

George Lavelle, 15, has won the Cricket Society's Sir Jack Hobbs Prize for the most outstanding under–16 player across the entire country.

The youngster, who attends Merchant Taylors' School, in Crosby, was praised for his talent and achievements by the English Schools Cricket Association which runs the awards.

George has enjoyed a remarkable season for Merchant Taylors', being top scorer for the 1st XI with a total of 890 runs, the first Year 10 pupil to achieve the feat in the school's long history.

He also thrust himself into the national limelight with a string of outstanding performances as captain of Lancashire Under–15s, leading them to victory in the National Club Championships.

That led to his selection for the North of England side in the annual Bunbury Festival where he again excelled, winning awards for most prolific batsman, best wicket–keeper, best all–rounder and most valuable player!

Rising star George Lavelle

The talented teenager has also been identified and interviewed by Sky Sports as 'one to watch' for the future, and was invited to spend a day practicing with the full England team as they prepared for a recent one–day international against Australia.

George has also made a big impact playing for Ormskirk CC's 1st XI in the Premier Division of the Liverpool & District Cricket Competition.

His success comes as no surprise though to Simon Sutcliffe, head of cricket at Merchant Taylors'. He said: "From the moment he played his first innings and kept wicket for our under–12 team three years ago it was clear that George had a special talent.

"Just as importantly he has an extraordinary focus on improvement and a determination to succeed which can only be described as ruthless.

"This combination of talent and attitude, together with the support he gets from his family, the school, Lancashire County and Ormskirk Cricket Club all adds up to an exciting future for George."

More volunteers needed to help out at local branch of older people's charity

By **Danielle Thompson**

THE manager of the Age UK shop in Ormskirk is seeking to recruit more volunteers to help with fundraising and to support other areas of the charity's work with older people in the community.

Volunteers can also benefit from gaining new skills, while also forging new friendships.

Age UK has more than 420 shops across the UK, supported by a team of dedicated staff and volunteers. Of these, 98% said that they would recommend the charity as a place to volunteer because of the positive experiences they have had.

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Volunteers can help with a range of activities – both behind the scenes and on the shop floor – including serving customers, merchandising and creating displays, managing stock donations and assisting with shop administration.

Julie Westhead, manager at shop in Moor Street, said: "Not only have I been able to make a difference to the lives of older people, I also really enjoy volunteering with Age UK. You meet lots of people every day in the shop and along with the team I am pleased to say that many have become good friends.

"Anyone looking to meet new people and get involved should definitely consider volunteering with Age UK in Ormskirk."

Money raised by Age UK's shops helps the charity to support its local partners to deliver hands–on local services such as lunch clubs and home safety checks, as well as hugely important national work like its free advice line (open 365 days a year) and vital campaigning work.

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‘Unhappy’ borough claims dismissed

WEST Lancashire has been ranked among the unhappiest places to live in the UK – according to figures published by the Office of National Statistics – just a week after Burscough was named as a family ‘hotspot’ in another report!

The ONS findings rated the borough as the least happy in Lancashire. Asked how happy they were on a scale of 0 to 10 (with 0 being not at all happy and 10 being completey happy) West Lancs residents replied an average of 7.

However, borough council chiefs have dismissed the findings as the figures were based on a sample of just 140 people.

A council spokesman commented: “West Lancashire is a great place to live, work and study, with thriving commercial centres nestled amongst beautiful countryside and fantastic transport links to Merseyside, Greater Manchester and Lancashire.

“A report by financial firm One Family found that Burscough is in the top 20 places in England and Wales to bring up a family and a survey commissioned by Property Week found Ormskirk is one of the top 40 places to live in the UK in terms of affordability of property combined with overall quality of life.

“82% of people who responded to the council’s 2015 Citizen Survey were either very satisfied or fairly satisfied with their local area as a place to live. The borough is also one of the safest places to live and work in the UK. It has low unemployment with a number of international companies based here.

“The data from ONS which has been quoted appears to be based on a very small sample of 140 people.”

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Mayor to give live radio talk from care home

MAYOR of West Lancs, Councillor Nikki Hennessy will talk about the importance of bringing together services for the elderly across the borough during a live radio chat today (Wednesday, October 7).

The chat, hosted by BBC Radio Lancashire's John Gilmore, will be broadcast from Abbey Wood Lodge care home in Ormskirk at 2pm.

Last month Cllr. Hennessy launched a care forum at Abbey Wood which aims to bring together services across West Lancs to fully integrate all elderly residents into the community.

Lesley Malone, events organiser at the home, spearheaded the initiative, which it is hoped will ensure that relevant agencies and charities meet every three months to discuss how to ensure that all elderly residents do not feel isolated from their local communities.

Charity fun days at Cottage Mission

MEMBERS of Cottage Lane Mission in Ormskirk are holding fun days on Saturday and Sunday (October 10 and 11) to highlight the work done by missionaries around the world.

The events start at 2pm and tea and coffee will be available for a small donation to the Tearfund charity which helps refugees and people in war–torn countries to find food and shelter.

Other activities include eating smarties with chopsticks, seeing who can eat the hottest curry and who can throw a paper plane the furthest! All are welcome to attend.

Biker's fundraising dinner for Heroes

Report by **Danielle Thompson**

A CYCLING fanatic who completed the Tour de France earlier this year on a children's Raleigh Chopper bike is hosting a fundraising dinner for the national charity Help for Heroes on Saturday, October 17.

Dave Sims from Halsall, completed the gruelling 2,000–mile course on his adapted Chopper after receiving a message of encouragement from two–times Tour winner Chris Froome en route.

The 36–year–old is hosting his Tour de France–themed Help for Heroes charity night from 7pm at Wrightington Hotel and Country Club in Standish.

The event will feature a three–course meal, Team Chop presentation, charity auction and cheque presentation.

All the money raised on the evening will be matched by Barclays Bank and donated to Help for Heroes, a charity which is supports British servicemen and women who have been wounded or injured in the line of duty, and their familiies.

Dave said: "I am so excited to host the charity dinner, it will be great to talk about the Tour de France challenge and thank all my friends, family and sponsors who backed me all the way.

"We have some incredible auction prizes, including a Dawes cyclo–cross/hybrid bike donated by one of my sponsors, Formby Cycles.

"I have raised £10,500 for Help the Heroes so far this year and I am hoping that the charity auction raises at least another £1,000 so we can give a really good amount to the charity.

"We still have tickets but they are selling out fast – make sure you get one."

Tickets, priced £30, can be bought from Dave at mycoachdave@gmail.com.

Dave Sims completed the Tour de France earlier this year on a children's Raleigh Chopper

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Military heritage buffs in plea for fly–past photos

A Swordfish plane similar to the one that made a fly–past over Burscough

MEMBERS of a military heritage society are appealing for any photographs taken of a former Second World War aircraft's recent fly–past over the HMS Ringtail Memorial in Burscough.

The Swordfish, part of the Royal Navy Historic Flight, performed the manoeuvre several times over the Pippin Street memorial en route to the Southport Air Show on Monday, September 21.

Members of the Lathom and Burscough Military Heritage Society contacted the Royal Navy air branch and Royal Naval Historic Flight to arrange the fly–past.

Lawrence Critchley from the society said: "In recognition of the history and heritage of the former HMS Ringtail (RNAS Burscough) 1943–46, a Fairey Swordfish W5856 of the Royal Navy Historic Flight performed a number of fly–pasts over the HMS Ringtail Monument and the new Booths Supermarket in Burscough.

"Many thanks to the RN Historic Flight and the Royal Naval Reserve Air Branch and Lathom and Burscough Military Heritage Society for organising this unique event.

"If anyone has film or photos of the event I would be most grateful if they could email me at Lolcritchley@aol.com."

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Rap for uni over complex's lack of disabled facilities

Report by **Danielle Thompson**

A DISABLED Edge Hill graduate has criticised swimming and parking facilities at the university's new £30 million sports complex.

Louise Pritchard, a long–time member of Sporting Edge, said she had been eagerly looking forward to the opening of the complex and was especially keen to try out the new pool as the previous one had no disabled access.

However, she says she was shocked to find that the new pool has no non–slip steps or hand rails and the only way for her to enter is to be lowered in with a hoist.

She also claims that parking arrangements at the complex are "dangerous" with no designated disabled area, while the surface of the main car park is hard to cross in a wheelchair.

Louise says she has written to operations manager Tom Wilcock, centre manager Paul Greenwood and university vice–chancellor, Dr John Cater, urging them to make the centre more accessible for disabled users.

She said: "I'm disappointed and can't believe the lack of thought for disabled users. To be told to use a hoist when I only need graduated non–slip steps and a hand rail is humiliating.

"Graduated steps would also have benefited elderly users and less–confident swimmers."

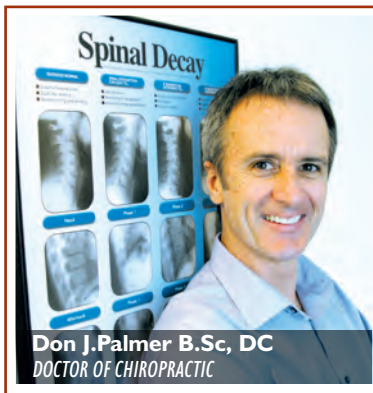
A spokesperson for the university told the Champion: "The car parking issue that was identified is currently being addressed as the university finalises the development and contractor vehicles no longer need access to complete their works. Permanent accessible parking bays are being created and university staff will do their utmost to ensure that only eligible users are able to access the area.

Vice–chancellor Dr Cater, athlete Katrina Thompson–Johnson and entrepreneur Barrie Wells at the opening of the complex

"The university is grateful for the helpful feedback about access to the swimming pool. The pool was designed in accordance with appropriate standards relating to accessibility, however some users obviously remain concerned about access.

"We have asked our contractors to consider how we might be able to enhance the pool access via the steps, although at the moment we are unsure whether a handrail is feasible. In the meantime staff are looking at other options including the installation of an alternative hoist and specialist equipment for other users.

"We wish to provide the best possible user experience and believe that we will achieve this over time as we continue to refine how we operate the facilities following feedback from our customers."



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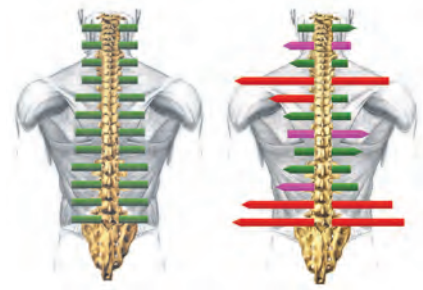

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Community spirit can turn a negative into a positive

IT was with great sadness and disgust that I felt compelled to write regarding the article about the Evermoor community centre memorial garden being vandalised (Skelmersdale Champion, September 23).

It is very sad for the local people who want to go there and remember their loved ones who passed while in service.

None of us really know when we could find ourselves at war and this young person may be touched by its appalling reality himself one day – although I truly hope not as I would not wish that on anyone.

I hope whoever did this read the article and felt some remorse for their actions and now realise the importance of this garden to the local community and will think twice in future about causing mindless vandalism. One day it could be their families, or even himself, that needs help and support from a wonderful community–based charity such as the Evermoor Hub Community Centre.

Margaret Highton, Alan Lewis and all the loyal volunteers work tirelessly to improve the lives of locals who have fallen on hard times. They have empathy with people and don't judge them in any way. They give people a helping hand up again, which makes a huge difference to their lives. These individuals would be lost without this support.

They provide food and warm clothing to the homeless, vulnerable and needy, food parcels to people struggling with the cost of living, not just the jobless but workers on low incomes in financial difficulty and facing poverty.

The elderly and disabled can enjoy activities, play bingo or have a cup of tea and chat to save them feeling lonely and isolated. They provide a dinner club on Fridays for the community to enjoy a hot meal at a reasonable price. There are computer clubs, slimming clubs and all manner of fundraising get–togethers and much more.

All these things are due to the hard work of Margaret, Alan, Debbie and all the volunteers. Their help and support is needed by so many who don't know where to turn and sometimes are on the verge of giving up as they can't see the light at the end of the tunnel.

From personal experience I know how unexpected circumstances can quickly plunge you into financial despair – not knowing if you can afford all the bills and having to decide do you buy food or electric and gas to keep warm? If it hadn't been for Margaret I don't know how I would have coped and several of my friends, neighbours and other family members have received support in some way or other.

We've all been young and, if we're honest, have all probably done stupid things and stuff we grow up to regret. But hopefully we learn from our mistakes and I just hope this young person learns from his.

It would be amazing if the local community and businesses could rally round and give a few hours to help with repairs or donate what they can afford to this much–needed service.

Let's see if we can change a negative into a positive by showing what community spirit can achieve.

C. S., Skelmersdale, name and address supplied

No cohesive policy on footpath parking

I CERTAINLY agree with the letters regarding drivers parking on footpaths.

To me, the allowance of this practice displays a lack of cohesive policy from our authorities.

By partly parking on pavements, the impediment to moving traffic is reduced and thereby it can contribute to increased speeds by motorists – something the council are spending hundreds of thousands trying to reduce.

Parking on pavements, by impeding pedestrians, can only deter walking in urban areas and thereby affect public health, another issue we hear our authorities wax lyrical about.

This practice can be addressed, but there is a lack of will. Try doing this in, say, Finchley in London, and you would get a ticket.

But having seen both our police and my local councillors parking on pavements, as a pedestrian I fear for the future. Having witnessed cars parked fully on the pavement, there will come a time when they will become parking lots.

What with cars, wheelie bins, cyclists and dog faeces covering our pavements the only place to walk will be down the centre of the road – well it might slow the traffic.

Graham McQuade, by email

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Sadly, village life is changing – it's called progress

RE: Jim Sharpe's article on the new villagers.

The change of village life around London happened in the Victorian era with railway companies buying land and building on this to create what was to become the commuter belt.

Village life in these places was changed completely and, as Jim says, it is now happening country–wide.

In many places the villages were dying through new technology which needed much less labour as the machine took their work and was far more efficient and so the new motorways of the 1960s helped to revive them.

As seen in a very different way, it is progress but it is sad that the villages we know are becoming no more than just satellites to the towns and cities.

Hopefully the new people can settle in and bring something into the community they now live in.

Stephen Bennett, Ashurst, Skelmersdale

Gullies show council has no regard for health and safety of public

SOME parts of the Ormskirk town centre refurbishment has been recently opened up for public access. I cannot believe West lancs Borough Council have sanctioned the depth of the rainwater gullies in Moor Street.

Now they are partially open my 85–year–old mother was in the town centre and nearly had an accident. It was only due to her shopping trolley that she did not fall.

On Friday my partner stumbled because she was not aware of the depth of these gullies.

I see there are level crossings to get from one side of the street to the other, but I am sorry, old people and young alike will take the straightest route across an open space, especially with prams and shopping trolleys.

I understand the need to move surface water quickly but these gullies should have been sunken and a level grate put across, similar to streets in Liverpool and other towns and cities I have visited.

Over the time of this refurbishment and walking through the town centre it was clear the gullies were too deep. I am a little bemused that the council's health and safety people have not picked up on this simple oversight.

From my background in industry if a risk assessment was carried out it would be a high risk, high probability of injury and would be an immediate non–conformance requiring immediate action.

West Lancs Borough Council clearly have no regard for the health and safety of the public.

A. C., by email

School transport issues need addressing urgently

I WAS surprised to read about the gruelling bus journeys being undertaken by secondary school pupils from Skelmersdale and I can fully sympathise with them about their ordeal to attend school in Ormskirk.

In the 1960s I was living in a rural community and was faced with a similar journey. In particular, the dreaded winter months' alarm clock being set for 6.15am to catch the 7am bus and then not getting home until 5.30pm in time for homework and tea. No daylight at home time was frustrating.

However, I am perplexed as to why there is need for pupils to undertake this journey in West Lancashire today as there should be provision for school places for all pupils in Skelmersdale. I was led to believe that a secondary school closed recently there due to falling roll. How could this decision be made by the county when pupils now are travelling outside their own town for education?

Getting up very early and then enduring lengthy bus journeys is not conducive to a positive start (or end) to a productive school day.

Education should be an enjoyable experience but this travel stress must detract from the pupils' wellbeing. Surely the issues concerning transport and school places need addressing urgently.

Y. Jones, by email

How about a hotel for Ormskirk?

AS requested, I am writing to you to get a topic off my chest.

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Lift–off for cancer support project

The deputy mayor with officials, volunteers and supporters at the launch of the project

A NEW volunteer scheme to help local families affected by cancer has been set up in Burscough.

The official launch of the Firm Roots Cancer Support project was held at St John the Baptist Church in conjunction with a Macmillan Coffee Morning and attended by Deputy Mayor of West Lancashire, Councillor Liz Savage.

Organisers have joined forces with Macmillan Cancer Support to supply a team of trained volunteers who will offer practical support and befriending to cancer patients and their families in the Burscough area.

The coffee morning was a success with visitors enjoying bacon butties, coffee, cake and bring–and buy and knitted goods stalls and raising more than £1,000 for Macmillan and the Firm Roots project.

The volunteers are mainly from St John's and other local churches – though anyone in the community is welcome to join – and most have been personally affected by cancer or supported someone through it and see Firm Roots as a chance to 'give something back.'

They will offer befriending, as well as practical help such as meal delivery, shopping, ironing, cleaning, gardening or just sitting with a patient to give a carer a break.

Helen Jones, one of the lead volunteers and an employee of Macmillan Cancer Support, said: "Having had cancer myself, I know how important the little things are, such as someone bringing a meal or doing the ironing, and the volunteer service aims to do just that – offer help in whatever way it's needed."

During the initial six–month pilot, the service will be resticted to people living or having medical treament in Burscough butafter that it is hoped to extend it further across West Lancashire with the support of Macmillan.

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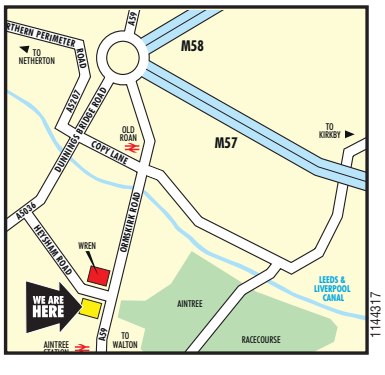

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Beauty team win top award

MEMBERS of a West Lancs beauty business team are celebrating after winning a prestigious regional award.

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Director, Jenny Bird, who set up the company 10 years ago, received the award at a glittering ceremony held at the Winter Gardens in Blackpool.

The event, which is in its fifth year, celebrates women in business across the North West.

A delighted Jenny said: "I am absolutely thrilled that we have won this award and that we have been recognised for our hard work.

"We pride ourselves on delivering a unique and special experience for our clients and it is thanks to my amazing team that we are able to offer such a high standard of service.

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Beauty is their business... Jenny Bird (4th from right) pictured wth members of her winning team in Blackpool (from left) Janice Craven, Sandra Bolton, Yvonne Cripps, Mollie Fairhurst, Leah Duffy, Stacy Porter and Robyn Morris–Grogran

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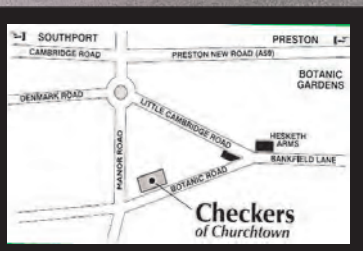

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Jim–jams joggers raise £1,500–plus for school funds

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Pupils from Tarleton Holy Trinity CE Primary arrived bright and early for school to run around the playground as many times as they could on the sponsored jog, organised by the Friends of the school, the parent teacher assication – before returning to the classroom for a well–earned breakfast.

Headteacher, Stephen Smith, said: "The children love coming to school in their pyjamas and find it fun to have their lessons dressed in their nightwear and this year we were lucky to hold the event on a lovely sunny autumn day. The Friends do a fantastic job and the Bog Eyed Jog raises much–needed money for the school."

some of the young fundraisers enjoying jogging in their pyjamas

New railings at railway station

NETWORK Rail have replaced the 'unsightly' railings at Aughton Park railway station with new white ones.

The work was carried out after former ward councillor Graeme Jones contacted the rail company on behalf of local residents who claimed the bridge railings on Long Lane and Prescot Road were becoming a 'blot' on the local area.

Mr Jones said: "I received a lot of complaints from residents about the terrible, rusty state of the railings. The bridge was an eyesore and fast becoming a blot on the local street scene.

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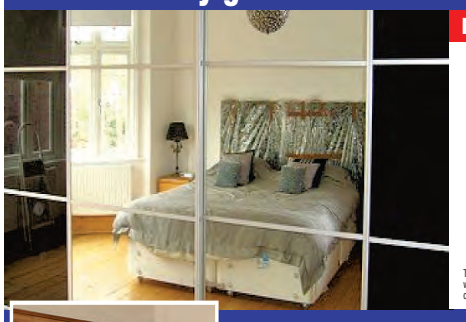

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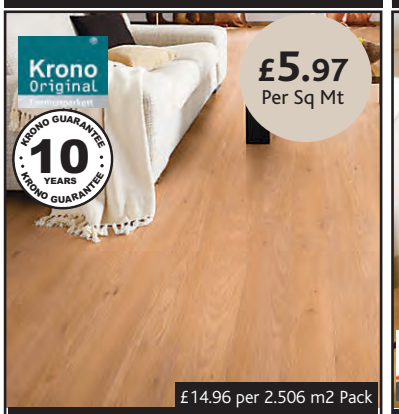

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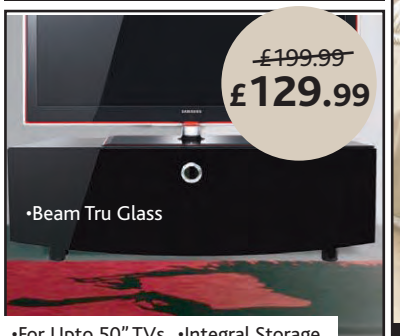

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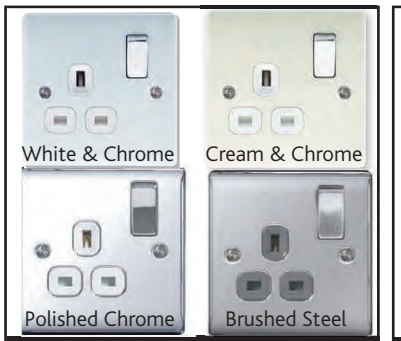

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LANCASHIRE County Council health chiefs are reminding retailers that as from last Thursday (October 1) under–18s are banned from buying e–cigarettes.

It is now illegal for retailers to sell electronic cigarettes or the liquid used in them to under–18s and it will also be an offence for adults to buy e–cigarettes for young people, punishable by a £50 fine.

A recent survey carried out by the council found that 25% of young people across the county had tried or bought e–cigarettes and 12% used them regularly, while 57% of them had got them from older friends, siblings or parents.

Dr Sakthi Karunanithi, director of public health at the county council, said: "E–cigarettes are still fairly new products which haven't been thoroughly assessed over a long period of time.

"They are considered to be a less harmful alternative for adults who already smoke tobacco but we know they are not 100% risk–free. E–cigarette liquid and vapour can still contain nicotine and other toxic chemicals and we would discourage young people from using e–cigarettes and advise those that do to stop.

"Quitting smoking completely is the best way to protect your health. We know that this isn't easy but help is available in Lancashire. With support from a local stop smoking service you are four times more likely to quit than trying to do it alone."

For help to quit smoking call the West Lancashire Stop Smoking Service on 0800 328 6297.

Fatal crash witness plea

POLICE are appealing for information about a fatal accident in Rufford.

Joan Bruce–Konuah, 76, from Rufford died after the Nissan Micra she was driving collided with a tree in Curlew Lane at about 5.25pm on Wednesday, September 30.

Paramedics were called but she was pronounced dead at the scene. Anyone with information is asked to contact the police on 101.

Schools' breakfast clubs urged to bid for awards

WEST Lancs MP Rosie Cooper is encouraging schools in the borough which have breakfast clubs to put themselves forward for a national award scheme.

The Kellogg's Breakfast Club awards, which are divided into four categories, celebrate the importance of breakfast clubs and the role played by teachers, parents and children.

Categories are for promoting a healthy lifestyle, community involvement, best breakfast club and breakfast club hero.

Closing date for entries is Monday, October 12 and the winners get £1,500 with £500 for the runners–up and other prizes to be won.

Rosie Cooper said: "There is a lot of fantastic work going on in breakfast clubs and these awards are an opportunity for our schools to showcase the brilliant work they are doing and win some great prizes."

For more information go to www.kelloggs.co.uk /breakfastclubawards.

The mayor and fundraisers at Aughton Village Hall. Photo by David Gallagher

Civic guest at fundraiser

MAYOR of West Lancs, Councillor Nikki Hennessey was among more than 200 guests at a charity coffee morning at Aughton Village Hall.

The event, part of the annual Macmillan World's Biggest Coffee Morning fundraiser, was organised by caretaker, Steve Moorcroft. It featured coffee, tea and home–made cakes baked by a team of local ladies, plus a raffle and raised more than £620 for the charity which provides support for cancer patients and their families.

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Our West Lancashire party hosts first 'listening group'

ORMSKIRK and Skelmersdale town centres and transport issues in the borough were the topics for discussion at the first 'listening group' session organised by the independent Our West Lancashire party.

Derby ward councillor Adrian Owens, leader of Our West Lancashire, said the discussions had been "lively" with a number of issues raised.

Cllr. Owens commented: " Ten people from across the district of differing political affiliations gave their input and I listened intently to their different perspectives.

"I am very grateful to them for giving up their time as it allows Our West Lancashire to better reflect local opinion in the council chamber. The facilitator will also be producing a summary report of the discussions which I will convey to senior council officers."

One of those taking part in the group said that it offered "ordinary people" a chance to make their voice heard and she looked forward to being a regular 'panellist'.

Further groups are planned for November and January.

Cllr. Owens added that the listening group was part of a wider 'Listening to west Lancashire' initiative which would include surveys and social media.

Anyone interested in being considered to join the panel for future meetings can ring 01695 351361 and leave a contact number.

College departments team up for coffee morning fundraiser

STAFF and students from various departments at West Lancs College teamed up to raise £670 for charity as part of the annual Macmillan World's Biggest Coffee Morning event.

Health & social care tutor Joan Deveney, in conjunction with students from children's play learning & development and professional cookery and the college catering manager, organised the event which was held in the Café West.

Along with donations of cakes, the event also included mini treatments for staff and students, courtesy of nail services, while media make–up students carried out hair–ups, face painting and professional make–up services.

There was also a raffle with prizes on offer including a mini iPad, fruit basket and vouchers.

Joan Deveney said: "There was a real buzz in college with everyone really enjoying themselves. We raised a lot more than we expected and learners and staff are proud of what they have achieved

Students and staff tuck into the cakes at the coffee morning. Code1084499

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Primary school Winter Ball fundraiser date

THE Friends of Rufford CE Primary School are holding a fundraising Winter Ball on Friday, November 13 at the Briars Hall Hotel in Lathom.

Starting at 7pm, the event will feature live music by local band Northern Lights, prize bingo and a raffle, plus a three–course meal.

Gillian Roberston, of the Friends, said: "The Winter Ball is our biggest annual fundraiser and everyone's welcome with all proceeds from the night for the benefit of pupils.

"The PTA would like to thank Don Fraser Coaches for providing free return transport from pick–up points in Rufford and Holmeswood."

For further information contact Michelle on 07976 763428 or Lesley on 07764 761323.

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Chance to trace village history

THERE is a chance to trace the history of Burscough and its links to the Leeds–Liverpool Canal with a presentation to be held at the next meeting of the Burscough Heritage Group on Monday, October 12.

Group member, Colin Wareing, said: "The earliest references to the village apparently occurred late in the 12th century with the canal arriving in Burscough Bridge in 1774 and thus started the growth of the village which eventually combined with Burscough town to become what we have today.

"Members of the heritage group have put together an entertaining and interesting presentation that tells the main points in the history of Burscough.

"This is a chance for Burscough people and those who have settled in the village to learn more about the history of their home. It also offers community groups offocials an opportunity to consider if they would like to have the heritage group present at their meetings."

The meeting will be held at The Blue Mallard at Burscough Wharf starting at 7.30pm and donations will be taken on the night. For more information call 07931 356204.

Edge Hill hosts talks for key film industry figures

KEY figures from the UK film industry have held a meeting at Edge Hill University to discuss the significant contribution the film industry in the North can make to the overall economy.

The discussion was the latest in a series of events initiated by Professor Roger Shannon and organised by the university's Institute for Creative Enterprise (ICE) bringing together experts to examine key issues in film policy.

Chaired by Eddie Berg, former artistic director at the British Film Institute and external chair of Edge Hill's ICE, the meeting was attended by a host of film professionals.

Professor Shannon said: "This discussion comes at a timely and topical moment, not only to harness the potential of the Northern Powerhouse model and the enhancements it could offer to the film industry in the North, but also in the wake of the recent announcement of a new major film studio opening in Liverpool's former Littlewoods building."

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The older I get the more the summers just seem to fly by

WHERE did summer go? And no, this isn't a moan about the weather.

Actually, I didn't think it was all that bad. All the bits of me that I chose to parade in front of an admiring audience have gone a rather pleasant shade of brown – and all down to 100% British sun too!

The advantage of that, of course, is that generally one doesn't have to slap on creams of various factors – and a British Telecom doctor (admittedly a rather elderly one even more curmudgeonly than I) told me during one of our occasional summer heatwaves that no–one with normal eyes should ever have need to wear sunglasses.

He said cheap ones were probably harmful and expensive ones a waste of money because your eyes can cope with English sun.

Which, if true, is just as well since Cinders (the younger dog) destroyed mine.

Anyway – where did summer go?

It seems to me this is one of those age things. Only I don't just mean those euphemistically–termed 'older people' (by which they mean those of us who used, accurately, to be called pensioners).

No, I mean it's on a kind of sliding scale which starts in childhood. Summers just seem to get shorter the older you get.

This year, roughly at the beginning of May (which as you might recall is what I call the start of summer) I promised the dogs (and therefore myself) that as the days got warmer I would take them further afield – like I used to do with the last Tina and the one before her too.

We'd take the ferry 'cross the Mersey to the Wirral, have little picnics in Ruff Wood on the outskirts of Ormskirk. And I promised Tina we'd take the train to Earlestown (where I know of a marvellous walk that starts unusually by walking through an industrial estate before suddenly emerging into unspoilt countryside). And we'd have a walk round fascinating Port Sunlight too.

But the fact is that it's now October and we've done none of those things

I suppose this is partly due to laziness on my part – though I have fitted in some quite long social and semi–business trips. But it's mainly because the summer simply slipped by so quickly.

It's all very well thinking, oh well, we'll leave that to next week when the weather might be (even) better, but all too quickly these days it seems next week is halfway through September.

When I was at junior school, the six–week summer break seemed to stretch before me and even counting our fortnight's annual family holiday there still seemed time to do plenty of things.

I suppose I must still have my rose–tinted spectacles (Cinders hasn't chewed them yet) because they all seemed hot and dry and one adventure simply followed another.

Even the family holiday seemed unending. The time we went to a village in Austria (I think it was called Zermatt or something like that) my brother George and I spent every available spare minute trying to dam the small river that flowed past our hotel – when we weren't at the outdoor pool or being taken off to Monte Carlo or Vienna for the day.

Now I didn't even seem to find the time to venture to New Brighton with the dogs – something I did regularly at one time, between the April showers and the first chill winds of autumn.

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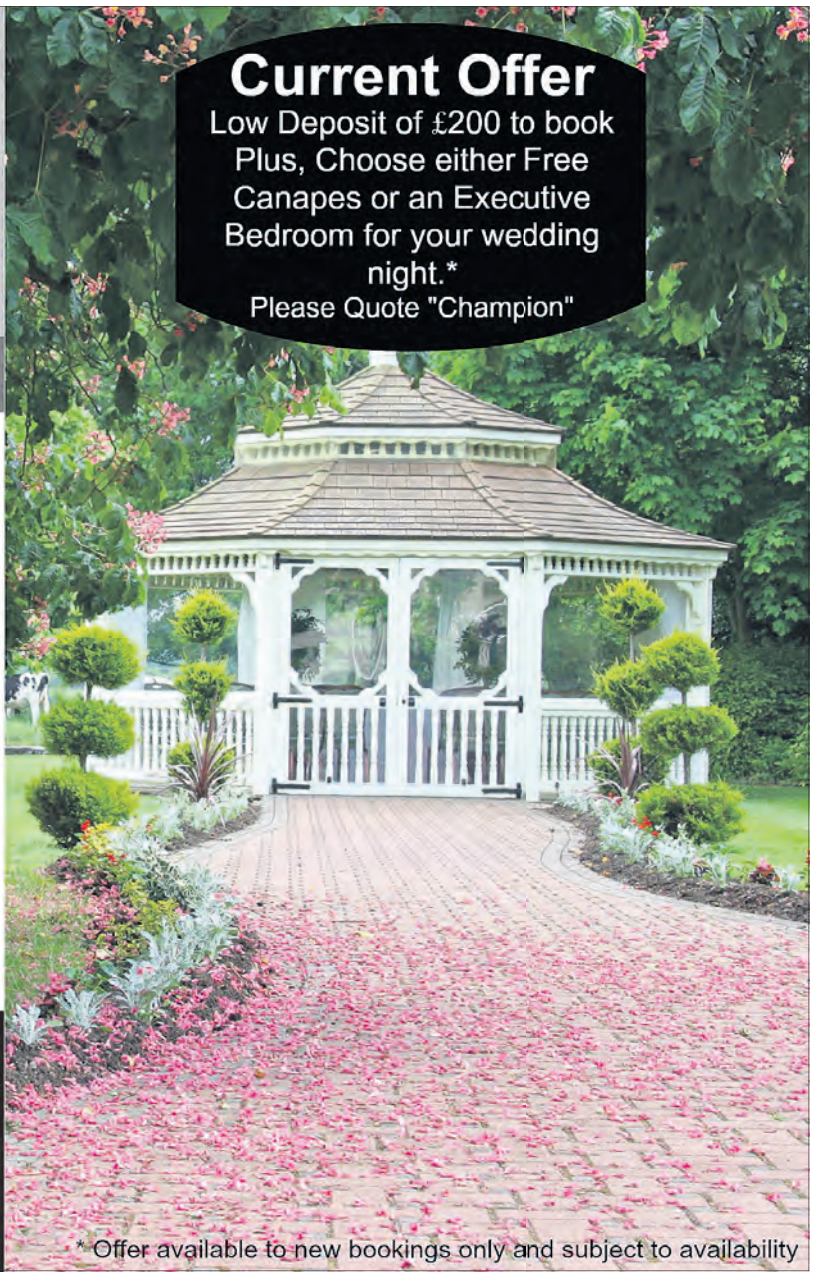

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Record number of tickets sold for Saturday show

by **Ollie Cowan**

Judge Tony Cardell and competition adjudicator Chris Pearce (centre) present the trophy to Nick Platt (centre), Queenie Waterman and Andy Tidley from F1 Pyrotechnics

THOUSANDS of people packed Victoria Park in Southport at the weekend when visitors flocked to see the resort's annual British Musical Fireworks Championships.

Seven pyrotechnics companies battled it out between Friday, October 2 and Sunday, October 4 with Sussex based F1 Pyrotechnics coming out on top after their dazzling display on Sunday evening.

Show Judge Tony Cardell and competition adjudicator Chris Pearce were on hand to present the trophy to Nick Platt, Queenie Waterman and Andy Tidley from F1 Pyrotechnics at The Royal Clifton Hotel on Sunday evening shortly after their display had wowed onlookers.

However it was Saturday that saw council officials and organisers at their busiest – having to deal with a 'full to capacity' audience and were even forced to close their ticket office after many turned up last minute in the hope of admittance, such was the popularity of the three displays that night.

Cllr Ian Maher, Leader of Sefton Council, said: "The British Musical Fireworks Championship provided three evenings of top quality entertainment with some breathtaking displays.

"The weekend was a fitting end to what has been a very successful events season for Sefton with a record number of tickets sold for the Saturday and around 23,500 visitors across the weekend.

"Every competitor brought something unique to the Championship and the standard was extremely high. Unfortunately, there can only be one winner and I offer my congratulations to F1 Pyrotechnics for their outstanding display who performed on Sunday evening.

"We look forward to welcoming both visitors and residents back next year."

Lathom date for footpath walkers group

MEMBERS of the West Lancashire Footpath Group are holding their next walk in Lathom on Saturday (October 10).

The group is a community charity that aims to keep the footpath network open by walking as many as possible and reporting problems to the relevant authorities.

Saturday's walk starts at 1.30pm from the lay–by near Lathom Chapel on Hall Lane and is an 'easy' five to six–mile circular walk via Lady Alice's Drive and Ruff Wood.

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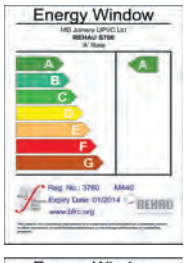

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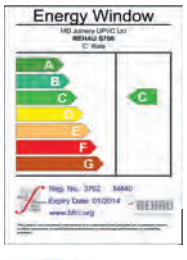

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Caring crew brew up charity boost

STAFF and residents at Chapel Court sheltered housing scheme in Ormskirk haved raised £270 for a cancer charity.

Riverside Care and Support staff organised the event as part of the annual Macmillan World's Biggest Coffee Morning fundraiser.

Tea, coffee and homemade cakes were on sale and there was also a bric–a–brac stall, name–the–teddy competion and raffle.

• RIGHT:The Chapel Court fundraisers.

Academic aims to take the stress out of exams

AN education expert from Edge Hill is aiming to take the stress out of exams.

Professor Dave Putwain, who researches the subject in the university faculty of education is training teachers to help students to tackle issues around the problem.

He said: "Most students suffer from increased stress before and during exams. For the majority the distress is transient and does them no harm. However for some students exam stress can have a detrimental effect on their wellbeing and lead to academic under–achievement.

"Teachers do a fantastic job of supporting students during this difficult time but there are few resources out there to help them and they often end up referring students to other services."

Practical support

Now the professor has joined forces with clinical psychologist, Dr Ben Aveyard to provide a series of hands–on workshops designed to give teachers the knowledge, skills, and materials to support anxious GCSE and A Level students.

The workshops will provide practical support to help schools tackle distress and under–performance caused by exam stress.

Professor Putwain added: "This course will equip school staff with the psychological knowledge and therapeutic tools needed to teach resilience skills to students suffering from exam stress. By up–skilling teachers and giving them the confidence to provide in–house support during stressful exam periods, schools can reduce the effect of stress on their students' wellbeing and ensure they perform to their full potential."

The courses are part of a suite of resources for teachers developed by Professor Putwain in collaboration with Exapt CIC (Community Interest Company), a social enterprise organisation that brings together researchers, clinicians, educators and designers to create innovative and effective ways to promote wellbeing in schools.

The training courses are designed to complement STEPS (Strategies to Tackle Exam Pressure and Stress), a computer–based self–help programme for students, developed in response to Professor Putwain's long–term research into the causes of exam stress.

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Dickinson Parker Hill partner Michael Prendergast and staff members Alison McCormick, Victoria Anderson, Dawn Joyce, Pauline Winrow and Helen Ellison present last year's cheque for £11,711 to Susie Poppitt from Derian House. Code1077454

LOCAL legal eagles at Dickinson Parker Hill will once again be participating in the national Will Aid promotion throughout November when they will prepare or amend wills in return for a donation to a worthy cause.

This year the Ormskirk–based solicitors will be supporting the Phab Kids Junior Club Southport for youngsters aged 5 to 13 whose aim is to 'promote and encourage people of all abilities to come together on equal terms, to achieve complete inclusion within the wider community through leisure time activities.'

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In previous years the firm has supported Macmillan Cancer Support, Help for Heroes, Alder Hey and the Neonatal Unit at Ormskirk Hospital.

Since 2009 they have raised more than £60,000 for local and national charities. Last November, staff and clients helped raise more than £11,000 for Derian House Children's Hospice.

Michael Prendergast, partner at Dickinson Parker Hill, said: "Each year that we take part in the charity will month we are always amazed by the generosity and support of local people. This year we want to raise as much as possible for Phab Kids Junior Club Southport."

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Wanted man could be in Lancashire

POLICE bleive a man who is wanted on recall to prison could been in the Lancashire area.

Nathan Jackson, from Eastbourne, has breached the terms of his licence and has been on Sussex police's most wanted list for more than a year.

Detective Constable Daniel Thomson said: "Nathan is originally from Manchester and we know he has links in the city area and Lancashire. We believe he committed crimes in Eastbourne where he was living in January 2014 and believe he has some connections in Hastings as well.

"He is described as black, around 5ft 9in tall and bald. He has a tattoo of a cannabis leaf on his upper left arm and the words 'Diane' and 'RIP Nikki' on the inside of his lower right arm. He may have changed his appearance but his tattoos are distinctive.

"We are appealing for anyone who has any information, however trivial it might appear, to contact police about his whereabouts. He is not believed to be a danger to the public but anyone who has seen him recently should contact police."

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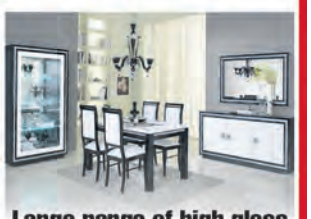

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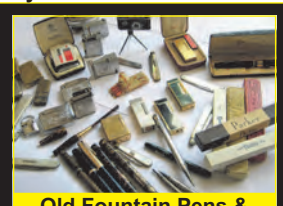

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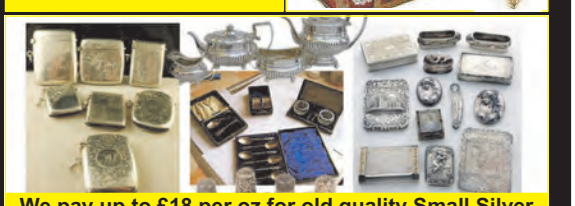

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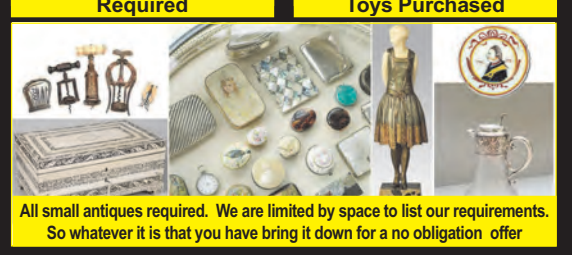

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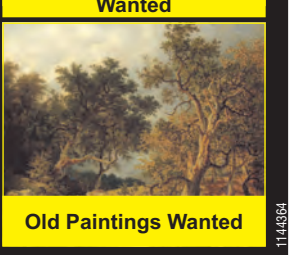

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Chance to showcase local talent and raise money for charity

A WEST Lancashire–based voice coach is setting up two talent showcases to raise money for charity.

Caroline Derbyshire, owner of the CD Music Academy in Rufford, is the driving force behind Rising Stars UK, a series of themed showcases for local talent, the first of which was held at the Atkinson Gallery in Southport earlier this year.

Now CD Music is presenting Rising Stars UK's Spooky Fright Night showcase on Sunday, November 1 at Southport Pleasureland and the Special Needs Showcase at Ormskirk Civic Hall on Monday, December7.

Both events start at 7pm and will be hosted by Sky TV presenter Neil Newton.

A variety of singers and dancers have already been confirmed for the Spooky Fright Night showcase, but Caroline is urgently seeking entertainers of all ages who have special needs, including singers, dancers, musicians and choirs, for Ormskirk show.

She has already confirmed performances by dancers from West Lancs dance group, Divine Days and Dream–makers Drama Society, based in Skelmersdale, as well as several singers with disabilities.

Proceeds from all the concerts will go to the Community Link Foundation, which supports the parents of local children with an ongoing illness or disease, sports teams in need of new equipment and community groups that need supplies or materials.

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Ambulance trust launch find the defib campaign

THE North West Ambulance Service (NWAS) NHS Trust have launched a 'find the defib' campaign to make sure every defibrillator in the region is logged on to their database and can be used to save a life.

The trust's 'Shoctober' campaign aims to raise awareness of the importance of public defibrillators (AEDs) and to remind those who purchase and install them to make the service aware of their location so they can utlisied in the case of an emergency.

It is estimated that there are thousands of the lifesaving portable machines in the North West which NWAS doesn't know about which means that if someone calls 999 in the event of a cardiac arrest, the trust can't direct them to the nearest one.

AEDs are small machines which can 'shock' a person's heart into re–starting. If this can be done in the vital first few minutes patients have a 60 to 70 per cent chance of making a full recovery.

No clinical training is required to be able to use the machine.

Last year, the trust attended more than 13,600 suspected cardiac arrest incidents in the region and this number increases year–on–year.

NWAS community engagement manager, Andrew Redgrave, said: "Earlier this year we launched our Cardiac Smart campaign to have the installation of AEDs in public places a legal requirement, in the same way that fire extinguishers are.

"We know that many people raise funds in their local area to have them installed but often they forget to tell us they've done so. This means that we could get a call for a suspected cardiac arrest where this vital piece of kit is available and we can't tell the caller where to go and get it.

"The patient will receive the all–important shock when the ambulance crew arrives but if they can be shocked even two or three minutes earlier by a member of the public it can make a huge difference to their chances of survival."

NWAS community engagement manager Andrew Redgrave

Members of the public who see an AED are asked to a photo and either tweet the photo via @NWambulance using hashtag findthedefib with as much information as possible regarding its location, or send the photo via North West Ambulance Service's Facebook page or email nwas.enquiries@nwas.nhs.uk.

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Have you seen missing teen?

Police concerned for 'vulnerable' Kirsty

POLICE concerned about a 'vulnerable' missing teenager believe she may be in Lancashire.

Staffordshire Police are appealing for the public to report any sightings of 16–year–old Kirsty Lafay who was reported missing from home in Newcastle–under–Lyme on Thursday, October 1.

She was last seen by her family the previous evening, Wednesday, September 30.

Kirsty is white, 5ft 7in tall with a slim build and has brown eyes and long, dark–brown hair. She was last seen wearing white skinny jeans and a black top.

A Staffordshire Police spokesperson said: "We consider Kirsty to be vulnerable and we are becoming increasingly concerned for her welfare. A detailed search to locate her is now underway and we are liaising with colleagues at Lancashire Police."

Anyone who has seen Kirsty or has any information about her whereabouts is asked to contact Staffordshire Police on 101.

Missing... Kirsty Lafay may be in Lancashire

Handball triumph for Trinity

TEN Skelmersdale primary schools battled it out to become the 2015 Handball Champions.

Holland Moor, Little Digmoor, Hillside Community Primary School, Trinity Primary School, Bishop Martin, St. Thomas, Cobbs Brow, St John's, Woodland, St Francis and St Edmunds all took part at West Lancashire College as part of the programme of competitions ran by SHARES Lancashire.

The schools were divided into two groups with winning schools of from each group going head–to–head in the final to become the overall champions.

St John's and Trinity topped their groups to contest the final. Defences were on top with Trinity managing the only score to take home the trophy along with individual medals and certificates.

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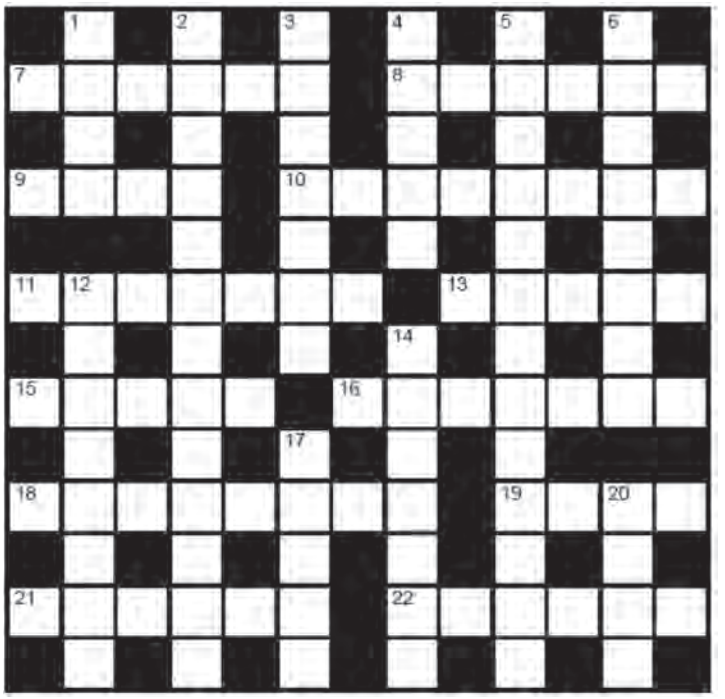

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Across: 7 State of the art. 8 Operable. 9 Sell. 10 Jury box. 12 Crank. 14 Balmy. 16 Also-ran. 19 Ward. 20 Usurious. 22 Self-appointed.
Down: 1 Stop. 2 Sturdy. 3 Lowbrow. 4 Steel. 5 Censor. 6 Sri Lanka. 11 Unawares. 13 Blouson. 15 Modify. 17 Orient. 18 Humph. 21 Uvea.

ACROSS
7 Well-known (6)
8 Insignificant, cheap (3-3)
9 Plan or storyline (4)
10 Light-coloured volcanic rock, rough to touch (8)
11 Fuel manufactured for domestic and industrial use (4,3)
13 Willow used in basketwork (5)
15 An extra accessory (3-2)
16 Tedious journey on foot (7)
18 Do something thoroughly or with enthusiasm (2,2,4)
19 Charitable donations of money or food to the poor (4)
21 Advertising catchphrase (6)
22 Peninsula made up of Spain and Portugal (6)

DOWN
1 US name for autumn (4)
2 Historically a constituency prior to the 1832 Reform Act with a very small electorate which could be used by a patron to gain unrepresentative influence in Parliament (6,7)
3 Small receptacle for cigarette stubs (7)
4 Small, long-bodied flesh-eating mammal of the weasel family (5)
5 Cultured (13)
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12 Collective term for Europe, Africa and Asia (3,5)
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There's still time – just! – to nominate your EyeCan awards contenders

The launch of the EyeCan Awards

THERE is still time to nominate people for the EyeCan Awards which celebrate the achievements and inspiration of visually impaired people – but hurry, the closing date is Thursday, October 8!

An estimated 46,000 people are living with sight loss in Lancashire and Sefton alone.

The EyeCan Awards celebrate what visually impaired people living locally can achieve with the right encouragement, opportunities and support.

Local sight loss charities, like Galloway's, regularly witness examples of courage and perseverance from amazing people of all ages to overcome the devastation that sight loss can bring.

And, thanks to their main sponsor, Eric Wright Group, they've been able to create these new awards, which aim to recognise those who go the extra mile to support local visually impaired people and to celebrate those living with sight loss who inspire others around them and don't view it as a barrier.

They need people to help recognise these amazing people and they'd like to encourage residents to nominate individuals in one or more of the following 10 categories – Young Person Award, Volunteer Award, Sports Person Award (team or individual), Artistic Talent, Charity Champion, Business Award, Education Award, Community Award, Carer Award, and Inspirational Person Award.

The awards are open to people from any background and a link with Galloway's is not necessary.

The presentation ceremony will take place on Friday, November 13 at the Invincibles Lounge at Preston North End Football Club.

If you know somebody living with sight loss that inspires you or somebody that goes the extra mile to support visually impaired people, then nominate them and let them know how amazing they are.

Nominations can be made online at www.galloways.org.uk/eyecan–awards–2015 or by emailing eyecan@galloways.org.uk.

All nominations must be received by 5pm on Thursday, October 8 and all nominations will be acknowledged.

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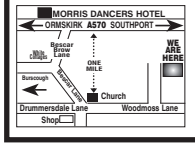

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Strictly Come Dancing tour to stop off in city

STRICTLY Come Dancing Live UK Tour 2016 will be stopping off at the Liverpool Arena on Tuesday, February 2, 2016.

Star of The Great British Bake Off and Strictly super fan, Mel Giedroyc is the new host for the shows.

Mel will bring her popular sense of humour and passion for all things Strictly to the live tour for the first time.

Mel Giedroyc said: "I've been a huge fan of Strictly Come Dancing for many years, so am thrilled to be hosting the 2016 UK Live Tour.

"The celebrity dancers and their professional partners will make for a sequin–tacular time on stage. (Note to self – must rent a pair of sparkling white dentures for January/February...). Who knows I might even shake a leg myself – as long as Strictly provide me with a surgical corset!"

Mel will be joined by the Strictly Come Dancing judges Len Goodman, Craig Revel Horwood and Bruno Tonioli, who will reunite for the 2016 tour! Craig Revel Horwood will also direct the live event for the sixth successive year.

BBC One's popular entertainment show Strictly Come Dancing has returned to TV screens for a new series, with a line up of famous faces from the worlds of show business, music, sport and television.

Featuring many of the celebrities and professional dancers from the star–studded 13th series, the super–sized spectacular live arena tour will bring them back on to the dance floor to recreate their most popular routines from the TV series. Details of celebrities and professional dancers appearing on tour will be announced over the next few months.

Len, Craig and Bruno will be providing their invaluable wisdom, advice and scores at the end of each performance. But as well as competing for the judges' scores, the celebrities and their dance partners will also be battling to win votes from the arena audiences, who can text vote via their mobile phones and will ultimately have the power to decide who will win the prized Glitterball Trophy at the end of each performance.

The Strictly Come Dancing Live Tour has received good reviews since it began in 2008 and the 2015 UK Live Tour was no exception.

Last December an audience of over 11 million viewers tuned in to watch the nail–biting Strictly Come Dancing Grand Final on BBC One, when TV presenter Caroline Flack was crowned the winner with her professional dance partner Pasha Kovalev. The television format, internationally known as Dancing with the Stars, is one of the most successful TV formats ever created and has been sold into over 50 countries around the world.

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Lloyd Parry to bring seasonal shiver to town

THIS autumn Robert Lloyd Parry brings a seasonal shiver to Southport's Atkinson theatre on October 30 at 7.30pm, with his retelling of two of the greatest tales by M R James, the master of the English ghost story.

Oh, Whistle, and I'll Come to You, My Lad – a tale of nocturnal horror on the Suffolk coast – is considered by many to be the author's masterpiece. It is complemented here by The Ash Tree, a story of witchcraft and vengeance down the generations.

Every Christmas M R James would write and perform new tales, to entertain friends in his rooms in King's College, Cambridge. A century later, these still have a special power to terrify and amuse. Robert Lloyd Parry recreates James' entertainments in a truly atmospheric way, illuminated by candlelight and underscored by dread.

Oh, Whistle is part of Lloyd Parry's critically acclaimed M R James Project, which has toured the UK, USA and Ireland since 2006. In 2008 it won The Dracula Society's prestigious Hamilton Deane Award for Best Performance in the Gothic Genre. Call 01704 533333.

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'Lionel Bart's superb score' stands out

Review by **Ron Ellis**

• Oliver
• Little Theatre, Southport

IF you want to get children and teenagers interested in performing in the theatre, forget the plays and put on a musical. That is the message that comes from this latest production from the esteemed BOS Musical Theatre Company (previously known as Birkdale Orpheus).

No less than 27 youngsters took part in this revival of Oliver, one of the all–time great musicals and one which the company last performed on the larger stage of the Arts Centre in 2002.

Thomas Corcoran starred as the polite orphan, Oliver Twist, who dares to ask for more food from workhouse boss, Mr. Bumble. Ian Lawson played Bumble as a humorous rather than a frightening figure, flirting coyly with Widow Corney (Patricia Tissot with a wonderful Cockney accent).

Bumble sells Oliver to an undertaker, Mr Sowerby. Nick Lloyd, was strangely reminiscent of Graham Norton as the ingratiating coffin filler while Richard Michell sneered convincingly, like a 19th century punk rocker, as his assistant, Noah Claypole.

Despite being dressed in rags, Lucas Frost as The Artful Dodger looked far too posh to be an East End urchin but Jamie Lester, with his rasping voice, straggly hair and white nose, certainly epitomised the image of Fagin who incorporates Oliver into his gang of young pickpockets.

Steve Coghlan was suitably authoritative as the compassionate Mr Brownlow, who takes on Oliver against the advice of his physician, Dr. Grimwig, a role hammed up by Alistair Johnson. Carl Sedman shone as Bill Sykes, the one really nasty character in the whole show. Even the dog (Fleur as Bullseye) looked frightened of him as he dragged her up the steep steps.

As Nancy, Charlotte Webster gave a lovely rendition of As long as he needs me before being beaten to death by Sykes.

Charles Moss directed the 12–piece orchestra through Lionel Bart's tremendous score, and the choreographer was Karen Parkinson who allowed the children to show off their promising talent and the cast to display a dazzling array of costumes which shone against the dark set. Liz Clark directed the show with her usual aplomb.

Oliver runs until this coming Saturday (October 10) at the Little Theatre. The next BOS production is to be 42nd Street in May 2016, followed in October by that perennial favourite, Annie.

Star Rating. 7/10. Always a pleasure to hear Lionel Bart's superb score.

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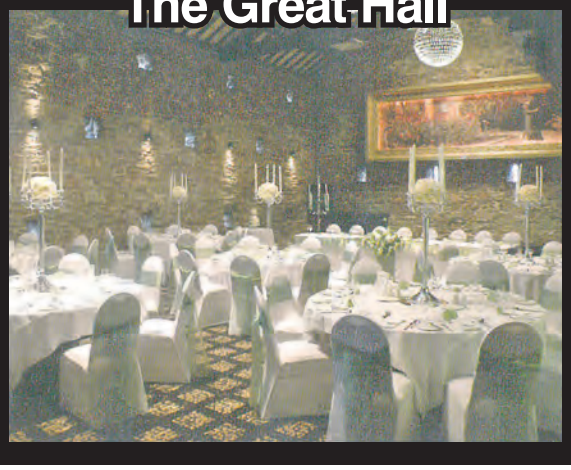

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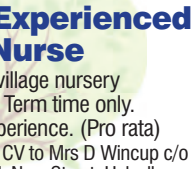
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Closing date for receipt of applications: Midnight, Sunday 25th October

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Application forms and job descriptions can be obtained from the vacancies section on our website, www.queenscourt.org.uk/jobs or by contacting Mrs. Sue Lovelock, PA to Director of Non Clinical Services at Queenscourt Hospice, Town lane, Southport, PR8 6RE Tel: 01704 517926.

If sufficient response is received these posts could be closed earlier than the specified closing date, so please apply as soon as possible to ensure that your application is considered. Only those individuals shortlisted for interview will be contacted.

Announcements

BIRTHS

Benjamin Paul Austin

Paul and Louisa Austin are proud to announce the birth of their son Benjamin Paul Austin

On 23rd September 2015

A healthy 7lb 7oz

Brother to Luke and Lauryn. Grandson to Keith and Rosemary Maclennan, Edna Austin and Phil Austin

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PRAYER

PRAYER TO THE BLESSED VIRGIN

Never known to fail.

O most beautiful flower of Mount Carmel, faithful Mother of the Son of God, Immaculate Virgin, assist me in this necessity, O Star of the Sea, help me and show me herein you are my Mother, O Holy Mary Mother of God, Queen of Heaven and Earth, I humbly beseech you from the bottom of my heart to succour me in my necessity.

(Make Request).

There are none that can withstand your powers. Mary, conceived without sin, pray for us who have recourse to thee (3 Times).

Sweet Mother, I place this cause in your hands (3 times).

Thank you for your mercy towards me and mine.

This prayer must be said for three days and after that the request will be granted and the prayer must be published. **M.B.C**

BIRTHDAYS

ALISON DOWNEY

9th October 1965

Happy 50th Birthday

To my baby daughter Alison

Lots of love Mum and family

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BIRTHDAY MEMORIAMS

McCULLEY SARAH

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Although we're not together,
We will never be apart
Because you have that special place
Right here within my heart.

Always and forever
Husband Ray
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TAYLOR Kelsey

A very Happy 23rd Birthday for the 6th October to our beautiful angel, taken from us too soon.

We think about you always,
we talk about you still,
you have never been forgotten,
and you never ever will,
we hold you close within our hearts
and there you will always remain,
to walk with us throughout our lives,
until we meet again.

Love and miss you forever and always,
your loving family.

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DEATHS

BRUCE-KONUAH (NEE CHEETHAM) JOAN MARGARET

Suddenly on the 30th September 2015, aged 76 years

Much loved Mum of Alex, John, Janet, Angela, Katie, Rosina and the late Kofi-George. Loving Grandma of James, Daniel, Franchesca, Malia, Kelly, Mitchell, Tenisha, Marcus and Great Grandma to Jayden. Dear Sister of Anthony and Gerrard. Joan will be sadly missed by all who knew her. The Funeral Mass will take place at St John's RC Church, Burscough on Tuesday 13th October 2015 at 11am followed by interment at St Anne's Churchyard, Ormskirk at 12.30pm. Family flowers only by request please, donations are being gratefully received by the family for NSPCC. Further enquiries please to Cookson Tyrer Funeral Directors, 2 Smithy Walk, Burscough, Lancashire L40 5UU Tel 01704 897770.

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AXON JAMES NORMAN "NORMAN"

Barbara and family wish to thank all relatives, friends and neighbours for their kind expressions of sympathy, cards, flowers and donations received for the British Heart Foundation.
Thank you to Rev. Martin Abrams for his kind and thoughtful ministrations, special thanks to Wendy Maxwell and team at Howard's Funeral Directors for the dignified funeral arrangements and for going the extra mile.

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ACKNOWLEDGMENTS

SPENCER Norman James

August 19th 2015

Stanley, Ann and all the family of the late Norman James Spencer wish to thank everyone for their kind words and sympathy shown to them, during their recent bereavement. Special thanks to staff of Stocks Hall, Nursing Home, Skelmersdale, who nursed Norman with kindness and consideration, the palliative nurse specialists from West Lancs, Southport and Formby Care Services. Also to the Macmillan Nurses for their kind support. Many thanks to Reverend Chris Spittle of St. Paul's Church, Skelmersdale, for his caring service and thanks to Devonport Funeral Services, Skelmersdale for their dignified and caring manner shown throughout the funeral arrangements.

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DEATHS

AINSWORTH Colin

On 24th September 2015

Aged 62 years

Beloved husband of Tina. Devoted dad of Carl, Darren and Andrew, cherished grandad of Joe (decd), Eddie and Bertie. Dear father in law of Naomi and Laura.
Will be sadly missed by all his family and friends.
Funeral service took place at St Helens Crematorium on Tuesday 6th October at 10.30am. There were family flowers only by request and donations are gratefully being received for Cancer Research UK.
All enquiries Margaret Whitelam Skelmersdale Funeral Service 29/31 Sandy Lane. Tel: 01695 559868

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DEATHS

O'SHAUGHNESSY FLORENCE MARGARET (FLO)

30th September 2015
Suddenly at her home in Skelmersdale aged 81 years

The dearly loved wife of the late Eddie, loving mum of Sandra, Chris, Carolyn, Darren and Stephen, dear mother in law of Stan and Martin, devoted nan to all her grandchildren and great grandchildren, a much loved sister to Harry and auntie to all her nieces and nephews. Funeral service at St Helens Crematorium on Thursday 8th October 2015 at 11.30am. Family flowers only please, donations if desired for a charity of your choice. All enquiries to H Hardman & Co., Independent Family Funeral Directors of Skelmersdale. Tel 01695 722122/720012.

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DEATHS

RILEY Jessie

on 27th September 2015 Peacefully in hospital, aged 71 years

Loving wife of the late James, devoted mum of James, Paul (dec'd), Julie, Tracy and Sheila, cherished nan and great nan of all her grandchildren. Will be sadly missed by all her family and friends. Funeral service will take place at St Helens Crematorium on Thursday 8th October at 10.30am.
All enquiries to Margaret Whitelam, Skelmersdale Funeral Service, 29/31 Sandy Lane. Tel 01695 559868.

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DEATHS

SUMNER Marjorie

1st October 2015
Aged 83 years

Loving wife of the late James, much loved mum of Alan and daughter-in-law Belinda, devoted grandma to Andrew and Nicholas. Service at St Cuthbert's Parish Church, Halsall on Monday 12th October at 1:00pm followed by interment in St Cuthbert's Churchyard. Family flowers only please but if desired donations are being gratefully received for Kidney Research UK. Donations and enquiries to Howard's Funeral Directors, 82 Station Road, Ainsdale, PR8 5AW. Telephone 01704 577786.

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ACKNOWLEDGMENTS

TURNER Billy

Anne, Tommy Maria, Paula and all the family of Billy Turner would like to thank friends, relatives and neighbours for all their kindness and support.

They would also like to thank Carers at Stocks Care, Queenscourt Hospice and Marie Curie who have been so good to them through Billy's long illness.

Also thank you to Margaret at Skelmersdale Funeral Services.

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ACKNOWLEDGMENTS

WILKINSON JUNE

15th August 2015

The family would like to thank all family and friends for the support that they received on their sad loss and the generous floral tributes and cards.

Special thanks to Lyn Coles for a lovely service, also Carol and Gwen for their help and support.

God Bless you all

The Mitchell Family

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DEATHS

OLDFIELD David Francis

Passed away peacefully on 23rd September aged 60 years

Son of Dorothy Oldfield and the late Ronald Oldfield. Brother to Debbie and Mark (dec'd). Father to Dan, Steph and Nick. Father-In-Law to Kylie, Michael and Leanne. Grandad Dog to Kelsey, Grace, Henry, Evie, Isabelle, Amelia and baby George. Was loved and will be sadly missed by all. Donations if desired to the British Lung Foundation.

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DEATHS

LANG STANLEY

September 25th 2015
Aged 86 years
Peacefully at Westcliffe Manor Nursing Home

Much loved husband, father, grandfather and great-grandfather. Stanley will be sadly missed by all his family and friends.
Funeral Service at Christ Church, Lord Street on Friday 9th October at 1:30pm followed by committal at Southport Crematorium. Family flowers only please but if desired donations are being welcomed for Queenscourt Hospice. Donations and enquiries to Howard's Funeral Directors, 19a Banastre Road, Southport, PR8 5AW. Telephone 01704 500086.

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DEATHS

McMAHON Pauline

on 2nd October 2015 Peacefully, aged 69 years

Loving wife of the late Billy, devoted mum of John, Sandra and Pauline, cherished nan of Amy, Hayleigh, Hannah and Jack. Will be sadly missed by all her family and friends.
Requiem Mass will be held at St Mary Queen of Apostles on Friday 9th October at 9.45am followed by committal at St Helens Crematorium.
All enquiries to Margaret Whitelam, Skelmersdale Funeral Service, 29/31 Sandy Lane. Tel 01695 559868.

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DEATHS

WILDMAN MAUREEN MBE, OBE

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September 27th 2015
Aged 84 years

Peace at last Mo.
Love to you.
Margaret, Norma, Pat, Sheila, Phil and Ethel.
x x

ACKNOWLEDGMENTS

COOK William John (Bill)

3rd September 2015

Maureen, Neil, Joanne and Suzanne wish to thank relatives, friends & neighbours for the kind messages of sympathy, support, flowers and donations received during the recent sad loss of Bill.
Sincere gratitude to all who attended the funeral.
Your support was greatly appreciated.

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DEATHS

WILLIAMS Bernard William

Passed away peacefully at home on 26th September 2015 aged 89 years

Loving and much loved husband, dad, grandad, great grandad, brother and partner. Will be sadly missed by all his family and friends.
Funeral service will take place at St Thomas The Martyr, Upholland at 10.30am on Friday 9th October. Family flowers only please but donations if so desired to Queenscourt Hospice, Southport.
Donations and enquiries to Devonport Funeral Directors. Tel 01695 731199.

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DEATHS

HARWOOD Doreen

27th September 2015

Peacefully at Peacehaven House

Beloved wife of the late Bill. Loving mum of Susan (decd), Debbie and son in laws Steve and Rob. Adored Nan of Mark, Laura, James, Alex, Frankie, Jonny, Georgia, Hannah, Lia, Millie and Dylan. Funeral service to take place on Friday 9th October at Holy Family Catholic Church, Southport at 9.30am followed by interment at Duke Street Cemetery. Family flowers only but donations if desired to Queenscourt Hospice c/o Gibbs Funeral Directors 6a Clarence Road, Southport PR8 4BH.
Tel: 01704 551666

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DEATHS

GIBBONS Malcolm

26th September 2015

Suddenly in hospital, aged 68 years.

Beloved son of the late Bob and Polly. Malcolm will be sadly missed by all his family and friends.
Funeral Service will take place at St John the Baptist Church, Burscough on Monday 19th October 2015 at 1.30pm followed by interment in the Churchyard. Family flowers only please, donations are being gratefully received by the family for Cancer Research UK.
Further enquiries please to Cookson Tyrer Funeral Directors, 2 Smithy Walk, Burscough, Lancashire L40 5UU. Tel: 01704 897770

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DEATHS

SPERRIN CARL

September 25th 2015

Aged 36 years.

Dearly loved son of Ann and the late Michael, loving brother to Karen, dear uncle to Aime.
He will be greatly missed by all his family and friends. Funeral Service at St Teresa's R.C. Church on Friday 9th October at 11:00am followed by interment at Liverpool Road Cemetery. Family flowers only please but if desired donations are being gratefully received for Southport Offshore Rescue Trust (S.O.R.T). Donations and enquiries to Howard's Funeral Directors, 19a Banastre Road, Southport, PR8 5AW. Telephone: 01704 500086.

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DEATHS

WILDMAN Maureen MBE, OBE

September 27th 2015

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Funeral service at Thornton Crematorium on Friday October 9th 2015 at 11:20 pm. Bright colours to be worn by request. Family flowers only please but donations, if desired for Alzheimer's Research UK c/o Graham J Clegg, Independent Funeral Service, 7 Dover Road, Maghull. L31 5JB. Tel: 0151 520 3330.

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DEATHS

Sister Patricia FRANKLIN-BRAID

1937-2015

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Notice of Conclusion of Audit and Public Right of Inspection

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The Accounts can also be viewed on the Council's website at www.westlancs.gov.uk.

Dated: 7th October 2015

Marc Taylor
Borough Treasurer
West Lancashire Borough Council
52 Derby Street, Ormskirk, West Lancashire L39 2DF
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West Lancashire Borough Council
Planning (Listed Buildings & Conservation Areas) Act 1990 Town and Country Planning (Development Management Procedure) (England) Order 2015 - Article 15

APPLICATION(S) FOR PLANNING PERMISSION

Application No: 2015/0855/FUL Single storey extension onto the eastern elevation of the existing cafe to satisfy the demand for "extra dine" in seating at 707 Merlin Park, Ringtail Road, Burscough.
This does not (or may not) accord with the development plan.
Application No: 2015/0947/FUL Demolition of existing rear link extension to annexe. Proposed 3 storey rear extension to property and proposed single side garage extension at Broadfield House, Moss Bridge Lane, Lathom.
This does not (or may not) accord with the development plan.
Application No: 2015/0969/FUL The provision of a stand-by generator compound measuring 1474 sqm in area to contain up to 10 diesel powered generators and ancillary equipment. An acoustic fence surrounding the compound and a gravel track to provide access at Land To The West Of Gerard Hall, Prescot Road, Aughton.
This does not (or may not) accord with the development plan.
The proposed development affects a right of way to which Part III of the Wildlife and Countryside Act 1981 applies.

APPLICATION(S) AFFECTING A CONSERVATION AREA / LISTED BUILDING

Application No: 2015/0974/FUL Conversion of the former goat dairy to graphic artists studio at Quarry House, Southport Road, Scarisbrick.
The applications are available for viewing on the Council's web site www.westlancs.gov.uk/planning. Alternatively, the application can be viewed during normal office hours at 52 Derby Street, Ormskirk and at 1st Floor, The Concourse, Skelmersdale. If you wish to comment on the proposal you can do so via the Council's web site, by e.mail to plan.apps@westlancs.gov.uk or in writing to the Planning Division, 52 Derby Street, Ormskirk, but these must be received within 21 days of the date of this notice quoting the application no. Any comments made will be available for public inspection.
Applications for Minor Commercial and Householder Development
In the event that an appeal is made against a decision of the Council to refuse to grant planning permission for the proposed development, and that appeal then proceeds by way of the expedited procedure under the written representations procedure, any representations made to the Council about an application will be passed to the Secretary of State and there will be no opportunity to make further representations.
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Peugeot – the driverless drive of your life is here

Life On Cars
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KEEN students of all things ironic will look back at this week as a pivotal point in motoring history.

It's the moment Peugeot's chosen to reveal the full details of its first family–sized hot hatch since the turn of the century.

The old 306 GTi–6 was one of the most entertaining things ever to grace a supermarket car park, which is why it was never directly replaced. Until now.

The catchy–sounding '308 GTi By Peugeot Sport' has more power than the Golf GTI and it's more than a grand cheaper too.

It's also able to sprint to 60mph in six seconds before going on to an electronically–limited top speed of 155mph, but none of this will matter if Peugeot forgets to make it utterly addictive to drive.

That's why the manufacturer is promising it will be 'the best all round hot hatch.'

Driver involvement is everything, which is why Peugeot says its new GTi's been designed with the sophisticated and enthusiastic driver in mind' is available with something called a Driver Sport Pack.

Peugeot is taking this driver involvement thing seriously. Or rather, it would be had it not just scored a coup by becoming the first manufacturer to make a car travel between Bordeaux and Paris autonomously. The heroes of driving involvement have taken a major step forward – for driverless cars!

Don't get me wrong it's great Peugeot are pioneering the tech because then there's more chance it'll eventually arrive on cars we can all afford.

But that world of drive–by–wires and clever radar sensors is completely inverse to Peugeot's traditions of getting stuck in and enjoying a 205 or a 309 on a deserted road somewhere in deepest Yorkshire.

I can't wait to see how Peugeot proposes putting the two in the same car.

The 308 GTi By Peugeot Sport arrives in showrooms across the UK next month Code NA

Tax rates won't change despite emissions scare

Diesel Audis are among the cars caught up in the VW emissions scandal. Code NA

Report By **David Simister**

THE Government has said that anyone who owns a car which has an illegally–fitted device used to cheat emissions tests won't lose out. Since 2001 emissions have been used as the basis for working out road tax, but the Department for Transport says the rates will not be altered. It comes after Volkswagen admitted more than a million VWs, Audis, Skodas and SEATS have been fitted with illegal software to help pass emissions tests

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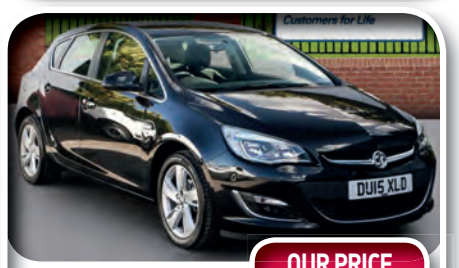

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• 1 Owner
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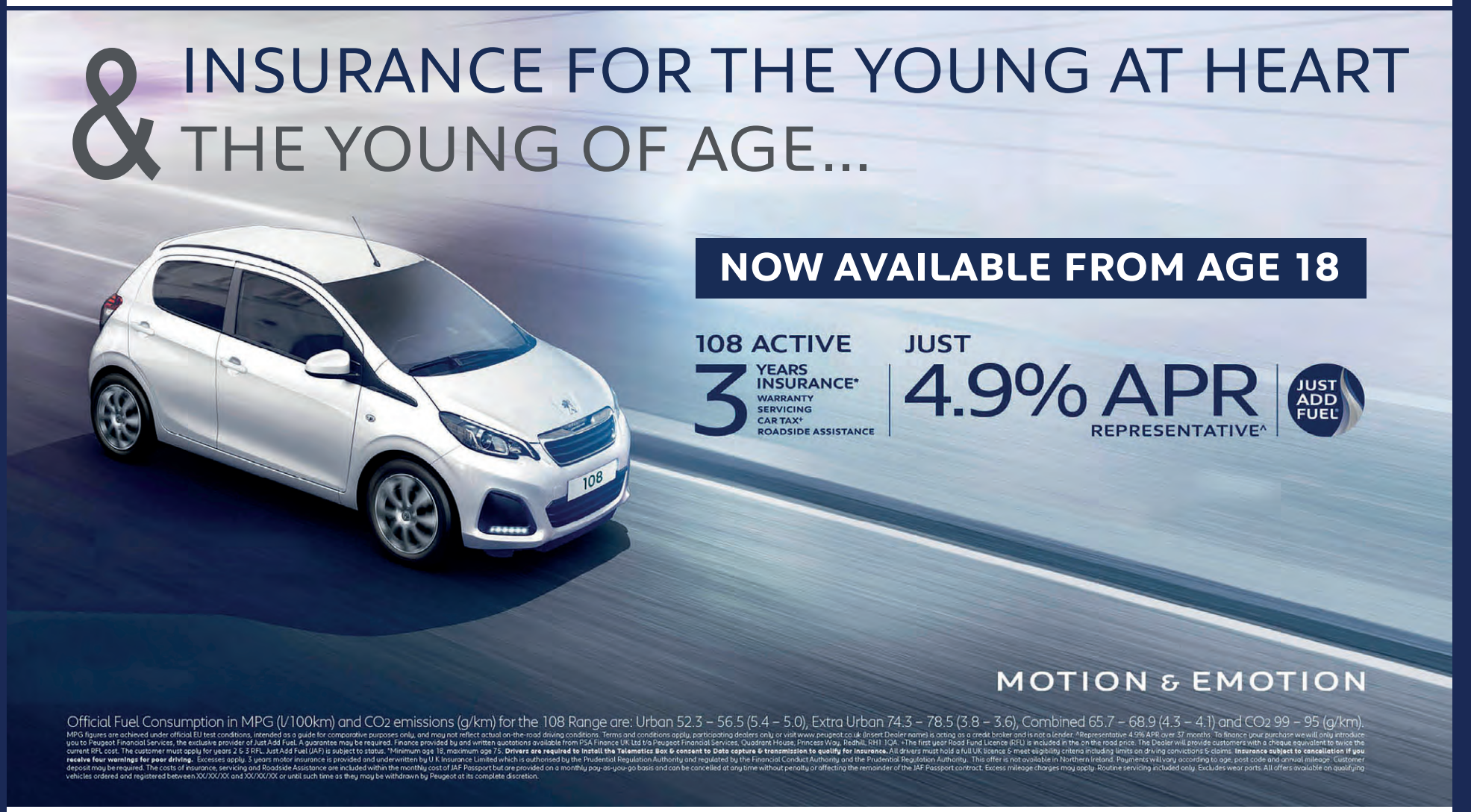

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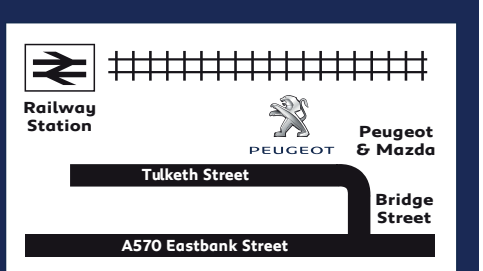

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53 FORD FUSION 2 TDCI DIESEL 5DR HATCH, in silver, only £30 per annum road tax. **£1095**

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59 VAUXHALL CORSA 3DR HATCH, in silver metallic, and travelled only 30,000 miles from new. 1 owner from new, very low insurance group, superb economy, low road tax **£3795**

07 TOYOTA YARIS VVTI 5DR HATCH, in black, 1300cc 4 cylinder petrol engine, full 12 months MoT, power steering, electric windows, CD player, remote locking, 2 keys **£3095**

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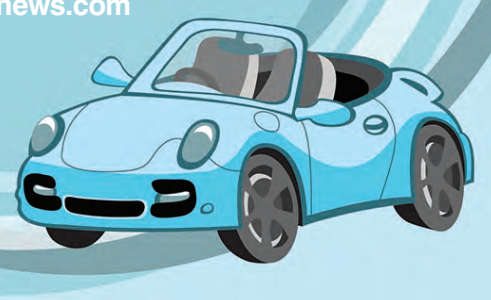

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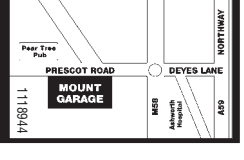

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Goal happy Linnets overcome local rivals in FA Trophy

Bamber Bridge 0
Burscough 2

BURSCOUGH'S winning run continues, after a fine 4–1 midweek league victory over Trafford they followed it up with a 2–0 defeat of local rivals Bamber Bridge in the FA Trophy.

Goals at the end of each half from Jon Conway in the 45th minute and Michael Monaghan in the final minutes sealed victory in a game that saw both teams reduced to ten men and both miss penalties.

This weekend it's Emirates FA Cup action as Burscough travel to Harrogate Town, kick off 3pm, in a confident frame of mind after their recent run of good results.

On Tuesday, October 13 the Linnets return to league action with an away fixture at Ossett Town with the kick off at 7.45pm.

Mason double for Richmond

Burscough Richmond 3
GSK Ulveston 1

RICHMOND maintained top spot in the league table with another outstanding performance against a very useful and competent Ulveston side with two goals from Mike Mason and one from Anthony Murt. Richmond are away at Lytham on Saturday.

New striker signs on as Mitchley departs

Report by **Neil Leatherbarrow**

SKEM manager Tommy Lawson has added a striker to his squad this week, with Jack Phillips joining on what is initially a month's loan from Accrington Stanley following the departure of Neil Mitchley to Marine.

Liverpool born Mitchley, 26, is near the top of the Evo–Stik Premier Division goalscoring charts, having bagged nine goals already so far this season.

But his replacement Jack Phillips has scored a lot of goals for Prescot Cables before he moved to Accrington in the close season.

So it can be said that Tommy Lawson will know all about what he is getting and the potential the player has.

Further good news on the team front that a number of players are showing signs of recovering from injury.

One important one Gerard Kinsella came on as substitute at Rushall on Saturday, so it is more than hopeful he will be fully fit for the Frickley match.

Frickley who hail from the West Yorkshire former coalmining town of South Elmsall have hit a seam of good form this season and will pose Skem serious opposition.

As on Tuesday morning they sit in 12th position in the table on two points more than Skelmersdale and have a very good away record too, three wins and a draw from six matches on the road.

Skelmersdale follow Saturday's match with another home match next Tuesday when Colwyn Bay the trip over the border to Stormy Corner.

As of Tuesday the Welshmen sit three points behind Skelmersdale in the league table and have won one, drawn two and lost three games away from home, so Lawson will be very hopeful of a good night and a chance to pick up three points.

Chance to relive 'Skem's greatest day'

Report by **Neil Leatherbarrow**

SATURDAY is National Non–League Day and Skelmersdale United supporters have the opportunity for a one off showing of what was arguably Skem's greatest day, when they played in the FA Amateur Cup Final in front of 70,000 people at Wembley in 1967.

Club historian Kevin Panther has acquired the rights to use an 18 minute film of the day and the replay at Maine Road, Manchester and ther will be several showings in the clubhouse from 1.30pm before the game and again after the match. Entrance to watch the film is free to anyone attending Saturday's home league game against Frickley Athletic.

There is another offer on the day too.

Anyone who turns up at the turnstile with a season ticket for any other club or Rugby League club will gain entry for £5.

Skem in action in the FA Amateur cup final at Wembley.

Both team denied by fine margins in game of plenty chances but no goals

Rushall Olympic 0
Skelmerdsale United 0

I think it was former Match of the Day sage Alan Hansen who coined the phrase "fine margins decide matches" in relation to football; he would certainly have used the saying to describe this game at Dales Lane.

Somehow the scoresheet remained blank, with both teams going close to scoring plenty of times, Skelmersdale actually being denied what would surely have been a winner by a mere two inches in a storming second–half show from Tommy Lawson's men.

After Skelmersdale forward Isaac Kusaloka shot over the home crossbar from an Alan Burton set up in the fifth minute, Rushall were the stronger outfit in the first–half.

Skem goalkeeper Martin Fearon pushed a Malachi Farquharson shot around the near post in the ninth minute, then to add some symmetry saved from Alex Reid at the far post in the 22nd minute.

Around the half–hour mark Skem had their best period of the half, Dan Mitchley firing just off target from a tight angle, followed by a Kenny Strickland free–kick that went wide from 35 yards.

Rushall threatened again. Fearon made his best save of the match to thwart a Jack Duggan header, Kris Taylor cut in and fired the wrong side of the post, and then finally Farquharson missed after Taylor created him an opening.

In contrast to the first, the second–half saw Skelmersdale dominant, their pass and run football leaving Rushall flat–footed.

A minute into the half, Kusaloka squared the ball and Mitchley put his shot wide, then on 51 minutes Almond switched the ball across the area to Tom Ince, whose immediate ball back into the goalmouth didn't get a telling finish.

On the hour a Louis Corrigan free–kick was just off the target.

On 63 minutes Ince hit the crossbar with a free–kick then an excellent passing movement left the home defence in disarray, Mitchley seemingly stroking the ball into an empty net.

So certain was he that he had scored that he turned to celebrate, but the ball was hacked clear literally one spherical turn from a goal.

In the 77th minute Mitchley headed over the bar from a good position, and down the other end the impressive Duggan headed over the bar.

Late on Mitchley held off a defender and went close.

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